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## Calgary Power Show Draws Homemakers

The Calgary Power Co. staged their homecoming demonstration in Kesters hall, Irma, on Wednesday evening December 12th, before a fairly large audience. The demonstration dealt with the proper kind of lights, combinations of curtains, arrangement of pictures on the walls and kinds and sizes of rugs as well as the proper placing of the furniture. This demonstration occurred the full evening and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present. The admission tickets supplied by the company were given to the Irma branch of the Red Cross to sell. The whole of the proceeds, amounting to \$80, went into the coffers of the Red Cross Society. Prizes were given by the company to lucky ticket holders at the close of the demonstration. The winners were Mrs. Steve Hlynka, Mrs. H. L. Cooper, Mrs. G. Holt, Miss Winnie Reeves and Mr. Ross McFarland. The fol-

## MEETING OF LIVESTOCK OWNERS, DECEMBER 12

In view of the present marketing conditions for hogs and cattle, and a difference in prices paid at Wainwright and Mannville for hogs, a meeting of all livestock owners, especially hog raisers, is called for Monday, December 16th, in Kesters hall, Irma, at 2:30 p.m. A meeting is also being held at Wainwright on Saturday, 14th. The speaker at both these meetings will be Mr. A. Newman, secretary of the Central Alberta Livestock Association.

## NOTICE

No person is allowed to cut wood on North 1/4 Section 23-45-9 W4.  
F. T. Thynston.

Following morning a short demonstration and lecture was put on for the benefit of the pupils in the Irma schools.

## W.I. MEETING

The Irma W.I. held their annual meeting in Hedley's hall on Tuesday, December 10th. There were 19 members and 2 visitors present. Mrs. J. Fletcher presided.

Reports were read showing a very successful year. The auditor's report showed a very satisfactory bank balance. The president, Mrs. J. Fletcher, thanked the members for their helpful co-operation during the year. The following officers were elected for 1941: Mrs. J. Fletcher, pres.; Mrs. Arnold, 1st vice-pres.; Mrs. Batchelor, 2nd vice-pres.; Mrs. D. Ott, sec.; Mrs. R. Larson, treas.; directors, Mrs. McFarland, Mrs. Martin and Mrs. W. Anderson.

The cake raffish at the bazaar was donated by Mrs. C. Milne, not Mrs. McMillan, as stated in last week's Times.

## Irma Merchants Prepare to Handle Holiday Needs

### LOCAL STORES READY FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

With Christmas less than two weeks distant, local merchants have been preparing for this most popular shopping event and stores are filled with Christmas displays which will make the task of selecting gifts by those who will visit Irma before the Yuletide season particularly easy this year.

In this issue of The Times merchants have taken considerable space to tell you and invite you to shop in Irma. They have stocked heavily in all lines of merchandise to adequately supply the needs of the public. Local merchants, through intimate knowledge of the character of the needs of the district, gained through years of experience, are in a position to supply the usual wants of customers, and a visit to the local stores will convince patrons that this year is no exception. In fact you will be pleasantly surprised at the wide range of up-to-date merchandise that our stores carry. You can do your trading here without fear of having paid more than was necessary elsewhere. Another advantage is that you can see what you buy.

Your local merchants are responsible for backing up all worthy undertakings and money spent at home comes back in donations to all organizations such as churches, schools, Red Cross, and all social affairs.

### YOUNG PEOPLES UNION

A meeting of the Irma Young People's group was held in the church on Thursday, Dec. 5th. The meeting was by the Christian Missions group under the leadership of Catharine Patterson. The scripture was read by Isabel Craig while Catharine Patterson gave the prayer and topic. A trio by Mrs. Larson, Doris Anderson and Bob Simmermon rounded out the devotional.

At the previous meeting it was decided to take up a collection for the Red Cross. Mrs. Ivan Currie donated a pair of mitts and the group is going to try to fill at least one other before next spring. The collection got off to a good start at the last meeting.

The program consisted of an action song by Catharine Patterson, Stella Arnold, Doris Anderson, Margaret Tait, Ray Locke, Sam Stead, Bob Simmermon and Ivor Thurston, and a very interesting skit by Mina Currie, Margaret Tait, Stella Arnold, Ivor Thurston, Bob Simmermon and Geoff Sonett.

A song guessing contest rounded out the program. A lunch of hot dogs and coffee was served. The few remaining hot dogs were auctioned off for as high as fifteen cents per pup. The proceeds of this was added to the Red Cross fund.

The next meeting, under the leadership of Allison Carter's group, is to be in the form of a skating party at the rink on Thursday, December 10. Everybody be sure to bring your skates. Games will be played afterward in the church.

### C.G.I.T.

This meeting of the club opened with a hymn and prayer at 8 p.m. on Monday, November 16th, with ten present.

Miss McLean, a returned missionary from Korea, gave a talk on the habits and life of the Koreans. She asked a few of the girls to try on some of the Korean costumes.

The meeting adjourned with Taps. The junior group of the C.G.I.T. held a meeting in the church on Dec. 3. We opened with a hymn, then we had the devotional part of the meeting and after it the business. Mrs. Larson then read us a story. Games were played and the meeting closed with Taps.

### SPECIAL NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS AND CORRESPONDENTS

There will be no issue of the Irma Times for Friday, December 27th. All greetings, notices, etc. for the holiday season should appear in the issue of December 26th. Please have your copy in early to Mr. Carter, Irma.

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

In the Estate of Gordon Milford Whiteley, late of the Settlement of Fahyan in the Province of Alberta, Farmer, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the estate of the above named Gordon Milford Whiteley who died on the twentieth day of October, A.D. 1940, are required to file with Roy Lamar Esq., R.R. No. 2, Irma, Alberta, Executor of the said estate, by the twentieth first day of January, A.D. 1941, a full statement duly verified of their claims and of any securities held by them, and that after that date the Executor will distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed or which have been brought to his knowledge.

Dated this 26th day of November, A.D. 1940.

J. A. MacKenzie,  
Solicitor for the Executor,  
Wainwright, Alberta.

6-13-20

### CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Albrecht, Evelyn and Geraldine wish to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to all their friends and neighbors for their unselfing kindness during Violet's illness and the kind sympathies and beautiful floral tributes in their recent bereavement.

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## CHURCH NOTICES AND ACTIVITIES

### UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, December 15th  
Irma—Sunday school 11 a.m.  
Public worship 7:30 p.m.  
The usual services will also be held at Paesshendale and Roseberry if weather conditions permit.  
A hearty invitation is extended to all to attend the above services.

### ANGELIC CHURCH

There will be celebration of Holy Communion in St. Mary's Church on Sunday, December 15th at 2:30 p.m. The next meeting of the W.A. will be held at the home of Mrs. Pryce Jones on Tuesday, December 19th. This being the annual meeting, all dues should be paid up. Kindly bring your United Thankofferings boxes. Thank you.

### FULL GOSPEL SERVICES

Sunday, December 15  
8:00—1:30 p.m. Special music and singing.  
Irma—8 p.m. In the residence of R. Fuder.  
All are welcome.

FOR SALE—For immediate sale or trade, pure bred Jersey bull calf. Apply Frank Maguire, Irma.

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## One Hundred and Sixty New Ranges

Have been sold this fall by one dealer in Edmonton, and they were all 'Enterprise' ranges and sold at the same price that we are selling them for in Irma, except that we deliver and set them up in your kitchen. What lovelier Christmas gift could a man give his wife than one of these beautiful streamlined ranges. Remember they have all steel tops and an oven construction unequalled in any range. Power washers are up twenty percent. We can still sell the 'Yon' at the old price.

Ladies, if you want to keep your boy friend's or your husband's face smooth buy him a Blade-Master razor blade sharpener then his shaves will be a pleasure. Only \$2.00 each. We have other things that will make useful gifts such as streamlined flashlights in different colors. Call in and get your calendar for 1941.

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## Early Canadian History

Discovery Of Documents Of The Period Of About 1698

Another piece has been added to the mosaic of Canada's early history by discovery of documents written by Baron de Lahontan about 1698. The documents, presented to Canada by Lady Oakes, wife of Sir Harry Oakes of Bermuda, have been published by the national archives.

The publication, with an introduction by Dominion Archivist Gustave Lanctot, is bilingual. It contains two memoirs, a transcript of the baron's will, a letter he sent to French authorities from Hamburg in 1698 and the official census of New France in 1692.

There are several plates showing early views of Quebec and military camps for use in the planned siege of the city by British ships.

Baron de Lahontan, a Frenchman, turned to Britain when jealousy of Governor Brouillon of the French colony of Newfoundland brought a warrant for his arrest from the king of France.

A comprehensive survey of New France in the 17th century, from first hand information on military and civil affairs, is contained in the two memoirs.

The first—written to convince Britain of the value of Canada—explains the possibilities in agriculture, manufacturing, shipbuilding and the colonial profits made in the fur trade. "Canada would make the finest empire and the greatest state in the world were it possible to unite New France and New England," he wrote.

A detailed account of the Iroquois war and resulting devastation is given.

The second memoir, "Outline of a project to capture Quebec and Placentia," details the manpower and defences of Quebec and Placentia (capital of French-held territory in Newfoundland) and suggests how these places might be captured.

Baron de Lahontan came to Canada in 1683 at the age of 17. At Montreal in the winter of 1684-5, made his will, leaving his goods to his mother after payment of "the sum of 365 livres Canadian money to the parish church of Montreal and 200 more livres to the hospital."

"Canada returns nothing to the king of France," he wrote in one memoir, "since the sums accruing from the beaver lease, import and export trade is used to maintain 40 companies of marine, one general, four local governors, an intendant, a sovereign council and a hundred other officers of justice, a bishop and all his clergy, two or three seminaries, as many hospitals, seven or eight convents, either nuns, and 30 missions, besides the cost of large amounts of munitions."

The census of New France taken in 1692 shows a population of 11,075. There were 99 towns and villages, Quebec being the largest with 1,570 inhabitants.

## A Strong Appeal

Financial Crisis Facing Jack Miner's Bird Sanctuary

Jack Miner's bird sanctuary at Kingsville is facing a financial crisis. The annual government grant has been reduced from \$4,000 to \$2,500 and this is the comment of the noted conservationist:

"We must win the war, but while the nine provinces vote hundreds of thousands of dollars for game warden salaries, and the Federal government votes tens of thousands for game law administrators, I feel free to ask for aid when I am raising fully \$5 to put with every \$1 of the government. Besides this, I give my time and the use of four hundred acres of land worth \$100 per acre. My place is left open to the public every day except Sunday, from October 1st to May 1st, and tens of thousands of tourists from all over the United States enter Canada solely to visit this place. So while hundreds of thousands of dollars are spent by our government to attract tourists to this Dominion, there certainly should be no complaint about any aid given this place, especially when Canada wants the United States tourists to come over here with their money."

Jack Miner spends \$15,000 a year to maintain his sanctuary, so even the old government grant of \$4,000 was not comparatively big, with the total outlay. The government has \$35,000,000 invested in national parks and preserves, and yet those 400 acres at Kingsville, the Miner property, are probably more famous and attractive than any public-owned domain in the Dominion. The value of the Jack Miner enterprise is highly appreciated by all United States conservationists. It is too bad that the economy age had to be used, but the heavy tax burden is the only answer.

—St. Catharines Standard.

## Had Amazing Escape

Two British Sailors Drifted 2,500 Miles In Small Open Boat

Another saga of the sea was closed when two British seamen, sole survivors of the freighter Anglo-Saxon, sunk by a Nazi raider in the Atlantic, ended a seventy-day nightmare of drifting and sailing 2,500 miles in a small open boat and ran ashore in Governor's Harbor at Eleuthera Island in the Bahamas. There were originally seven men in this boat. Two of them, however, who were wounded when the raider fired with machine guns on the boat after it had been launched, later died. Two others went mad from heat and thirst and jumped overboard. The fifth committed suicide with a razor. The other two managed somehow to exist on seaweed, rainwater, and a couple of fish that landed in the boat. For eight days they had not had a drop of water. Fortunately both survived their terrible experience.

Here is one more ghastly proof, though none more was needed, of the vile inhumanity that actuates the Hun at sea. These men were not only driven to their boats 300 miles from land, but a deliberate attempt was made to murder them after they had left their ship. It is not of course by any means the first attempt, nor the first successful murder, but it takes on an especially dramatic significance because of the amazing escape of these two men. It should drive home to the minds of every thinking citizen of the Western Hemisphere a full realization of the brutal horror that threatens us all. The British Navy is doing magnificent work, but naturally it cannot beat every point on the seven seas all the time. We may rest assured, however, that the Hun will pay, and pay dearly for this last infernal outrage. Neither Genghis Khan nor Attila was ever guilty of a more abominable crime against humanity. It will not be forgotten when the inevitable day of reckoning comes.—Montreal Star.

## The Burma Road

Description By Magazine Writers Adds Romance To Its History

It might, at first thought, seem too bad to write specifically about the Burma Road, because to do so inevitably rob the subject of much of the romantic suggestion interwoven with its name. But as it was done for the November number of the National Geographic Magazine, the writing, with accompanying pictures, adds at least as much as it takes away.

In a sense it adds even more, since what it takes away is the result of your own imaginings, stimulated by an unforgettable phrase, and what it adds is a lively clarification of the strategic importance of the road, together with the story of its construction.

The authors made two trips over the road, one before it was finished and one in the rainy season, when they found a great maintenance crew was needed to keep it free of sliding mud and boulders. They report that one of the most difficult links of the highway, 307 miles long, was built in nine months by 200,000 Chinese. Getting food for that army must itself have been no small job.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## Takes Time To Rest

One Reason Winston Churchill Can Do So Much Work

After meeting Prime Minister Churchill on the Embankment at six o'clock one morning in late September, making a personal examination of the damage at County Hall, and knowing that later in the day he was making a tour of inspection elsewhere, a writer in the London Daily Sketch marvelled at "how on earth does he find time to get all this sandwiched in with his other work? War Cabinet meetings sometimes three times a day are mere incidents during busy hours of consulting defence experts and receiving departmental ministers. Maybe one of the secrets is an ability to rest. He takes an hour off every afternoon—an hour which only the most urgent matter is allowed to interfere with. The second reason is his gift of delegating power to trusted colleagues. He never involves himself with details that can be more effectively handled by others."

Clouds do not float. Unless buoyed up by rising air currents, they tend to fall at a rate of 30 to 40 feet an hour.

There are 62,000 miles of blood vessels in the average human body.

Comets sometimes are visible in daytime.

Rough riders are being trained in England to beat any invasion that may be launched by Hitler's horde. They are ready to roar into action against any Nazis that may land by parachute, plane or boat. Their training is of a gruelling type—over fields, muddy lanes, mountain tracks and steep hills. In this picture a squad is shown during a halt for instructions on a mountain road.

## Officers' Club

Established In London For The Comfort Of Canadian Troops

Organizations set up in London for the comfort and entertainment of Canadian troops are already acquiring a history.

The oldest of them, the Officers' Club, founded by Mrs. Vincent Massey, wife of Canada's high commissioner, celebrated one year of active service in October when a midday patrol ate the 16.063rd lunch served at the club.

The surroundings are as quiet and homely as London's bomb-scarred west-end nowadays allows; the membership is free to all officers of Canadian services and prices are nominal—for instance, tea and cakes cost sixpence—while the service is maintained by Canadian women, who give gladly of their time. As far as possible the meals are Canadian in style. Names in the visitors' book are of men from all parts of Canada from the Arctic to the international boundary, and from all ranks—from acting sub-lieutenants of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve to Air Commodores and from generals to flight-lieutenants.

When first established by Mrs. Massey as what might be called a "comfort station" for the new Beaver Club, organized for the men of the ranks, the Officers' Club was housed in rooms made available by Percy Clew, European manager of the Canadian National Railways. The club outgrew this accommodation, however, and transferred to quarters loaned by the Cunard Steamship Company.

## New Synthetic Compound

Developed By United States Rubber Company For Clothing

The United States Rubber Company announces the development of a synthetic rubber clothing named "synthal" which, it is claimed, affords increased protection for certain industrial workers. The new compound was described as superior to natural rubber for prescribed uses. Garments made of "synthal" cost upward of double those made of natural rubber, the company said, but that is compensated for by longer life, it was contended.

Steam can be produced at a depth of 12,720 feet in the earth.

## NEW CAVALRY ON WHEELS



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## Touch Of Color

Colored Field Service Cap Is Now Authorized For Army

Color is coming back into the Canadian army.

Through the colored field service cap, now authorized for all ranks, men of the Canadian active service force and non-permanent active militia are enabled to add a touch of color to their khaki outfits when off duty.

The colored field service cap is a wedge-shaped cap, identical except for color, with the wedge cap now worn by all troops on active service with their battle dress uniforms. It is strictly optional and may be worn only off-duty. Every unit in the Canadian army may select a color design and when it has been approved by national defence headquarters men of the unit may buy the colored cap and wear it.

The cap has been proving a bit of a headache to the ordnance branch of the department of national defense because it has been assigned the duty of approving designs for the various Canadian military units.

So far, more than 50 units have submitted cap designs and have been authorized to use the cap of their choice. Defence headquarters says there was no general objection to the idea is catching on with the troops, but some officers and men are wearing the new caps now.

The authorization of regimental colored field service caps for all ranks gives all soldiers the privilege hitherto enjoyed by men in highland battalions of wearing fancy head gear when off duty. Since introduction of the battle dress, Highland units have worn khaki tam o'shanters instead of the wedge cap but they are authorized to wear the Glengarry cap when off duty.

The only units still without a special cap for off-duty wear are the tank regiment and the Irish regiment of Canada, Toronto. The tank corps wears a black beret on all occasions. The Irish wear a green cap, something like a tam o'shanter, for both service and off-duty occasions.

Nova Scotia is the greatest coal producing province in the Dominion of Canada.

Two railroads use the same ties, but maintain separate rails, between Tavares and Orlando, Fla.

## Requires Some Managing

Ambassadors From All Countries Create Delicate Situation In Washington

Of the 55 embassies and legations in the U.S. capital at least 22 represent countries now engaged in war, obliterated by war or on the brink of the conflict.

Before the war a white tie and tails were necessary articles of the socially aspiring Washingtonians. In the last year these habiliments have become frozen assets. Entertaining is out.

It would never do to have the German ambassador brought into an accidental meeting with the representative of the British government in Washington while the latter was discussing a cocktail with the Polish ambassador.

Fortunately, the ambassadors and ministers concerned "play ball" with hosts and hostesses. Those from the aggressor nations—Germany, Italy and Japan, go about very little. There was a recent instance of a British embassy official calling upon a high officer of the United States state department while the Italian ambassador was there.

It seemed certain that a meeting would occur in the ante-room until a wisp of a secretary solved the difficulty by asking the British official to step into the office of another department officer who wished to talk with him. When the Italian had left, the British official was taken in to his appointment and he never knew of the incident.

## Make Cotton Canvas

British Research Men Produce A New Kind Of Fabric

Lancashire research men have produced a new kind of canvas made from cotton, the British Broadcasting Corporation said, quoting an announcement made at Manchester.

"The cotton canvas will be used as an alternative to canvas made from flax, of which there is now a great shortage," the BBC said.

The new cotton was said to be equal in quality to the flax product and to cost no more.

For their size, penguins are the heaviest of all living birds. An emperor penguin may weigh more than 80 pounds.

## Changes In Earth's Crust

Sea Level Raises Four Inches During Past 100 Years

Studying changes in the earth's crust, Dr. Beno Gutenberg, California Institute of Technology seismologist, finds that:

Sea level on an average over the world has risen four inches during the past 100 years.

The great Hudson Bay likely will be little more than a millpond in 30,000 to 40,000 years, because its southern area is rising.

The area around the northern part of Lake Superior has risen almost two feet in a century, that around the southern part and along the St. Lawrence River, one foot.

A line of no change runs through Boston, and north of Cleveland and Milwaukee. South of this line the land is slowly sinking.

As far south as California the land is sinking at a rate of two or three inches a century.

"The Hudson Bay-Great Lakes area and that around the Gulf of Bothnia in Scandinavia were the scenes of heavy glacial deposits during the ice age. As the ice melted the land under it began to rise and there was a maximum uplift of 1,000 feet during the past 10,000 years, three feet in the last century."

Dr. Gutenberg explained that the earth's crust rests on a sort of fluid cushion. When weight is lifted from one place, that area rises. Fluid flows in from surrounding areas, lowering them.

Engineers for the St. Lawrence Waterway were interested in the study "but fortunately no uneven or damaging rise in that area is indicated."

## Decontaminating Rumors

"Rumor Stopping" Contributes To Morale, Writes English Observer Are you a rumor stopper?

A sub-editor asked this question of himself as war news flashed over the wires in short dramatic sentences. Rumor chased rumor through the office, imperceptibly influencing the treatment of news. If fear crept into the headlines, countless readers might catch it over their breakfast tables.

"The righteous man shall not be afraid of evil tidings; his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord." The words of the Psalm came to the sub-editor's mind and he saw appropriate headings: "Rumor Decontaminating Headquarters," "Old Rumors Rendered Harmless," "New Rumors Critically Examined."

Next evening he wrote these out and pinned them on his desk. The chief rumor-monger in the office greeted him lugubriously. "Have you heard . . . ?" he began. Then his eye caught the notice. "Oh, well, I'd better be getting along," he said, and beat a hasty retreat.

The gossip writer saw it. "We had better start decontaminating a rumor a day in the paper," he said. "Shall we begin with the 'Hairy-handed' one or the 'parachutists'?" Everyone wanted copies. The printer was asked by his air-raid warden at home for posters for every A.R.P. post in the district. Editors in other towns have had the notice reprinted. Now copies have been issued all over the country. They have been posted in "buses, trams and factories and government departments."

"The war I meet a rumor," says the sub-editor, "shows me whether I am putting my own importance or the nation first. Rumors are scientifically designed to play upon your hopes, your vanity or your fears, and to bring about, through your demoralization the moral collapse of Britain."

## On Thing In Common

Churchill And Archbishop Of Canterbury Each Wrote Novel When Young

Prime Minister Churchill shares at least one touch of nature (probably he shares a number) with the Archbishop of Canterbury. Each perpetrated a novel when he was very young, and does not much care to be reminded of the effort. The Archbishop's story, "The Young Clancory," dealt with Jacobite days and battles. The Prime Minister made his hero a democratic leader in a Mediterranean country and equipped him with eloquence and daring. His and the novel's name was "Savrola."

## Spiffire Matches

An hotel in the West End of London provides book matches each bearing a picture of a Spiffire. The cover bears the words "Let's send up a Spiffire, match for three Messerschmitts." The first book was bought by the Sultan of Johore, who paid for it with a 45 note.


The U.S. army is to acquire 19,000 horses, it is reported.



"It's my own invention. It doesn't scream, it doesn't whistle—it just plays 'There'll Always Be an England.'"



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## The Park Lane Mystery

By Edgar Wallace

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CHAPTER XXV.—Continued

"Now, Mr. Carlton, let us be our calm selves. What do you expect to find in this house? I imagine it is something very important."

"Imagine!" said Jim sternly. "Harlow, I'm going to put my cards on the table and tell you just what I want to find. First and foremost, I want Alton Rivers, who came here earlier in the evening with a letter from his employer. She has not been seen since."

Mr. Harlow did not smile.

"Really? Not been seen by you, I suppose you mean—"

"Wait, I haven't finished. A car was seen to drive away from Ellenbury's office in Theobalds road at half-past five. Miss Rivers was in that car—where is she now?"

Harlow looked at him steadily.

"I will not say that I don't know—unnecessary lies are stupid."

He opened a drawer of his desk with great deliberation, and taking out a bunch of keys, dropped them on his blotting pad.

"You may search every room in the house," he said. "And then tell me if you are as wise as I!"

The library itself needed no prolonged inspection. Jim went up the stairs, followed by Elk, and came at last to the top floor, to find Harlow waiting for him at the door of the little elevator.

"That is my housekeeper's room," he pointed. "You will recognize the door as the one which you looked at five hours ago."

"And this?" asked Jim.

Harlow turned the handle and threw the other door wide open. The room was as Jim had seen it on the previous night, and was unattended.

"We will start with the roof," said Carlton, and went up the narrow flight of stairs, opened the door and stepped out upon the flat roof. This time he carried a powerful lamp, but here also he drew blank. He made a circuit of the parapet and came back to where Harlow was waiting at the open door.

"Have you found a secret stairway?" Harlow was innocently asking. "They are quite common in Park Lane, but still a novelty in Piccadilly. You touch a spring, something goes click, and there is a narrow winding stair leading to a still more secret room."

Jim made no answer to this sarcasm, but went downstairs. From room to room he passed, but there was no sign of the girl or of the bearded man, and at last he reached the ground floor.

"You have cellars? I should like to see those."

Harlow opened a small door in the paneling of the vestibule. They were in a rather high, flagged passage, at the end of which was the kitchen and servants' hall. From an open archway in one of the walls a flight of stone stairs descended to the basement, two of which were used for the storage of wine.

"This is the whole extent of the cellar space," said Jim suspiciously, when he had finished his inspection.

"There are no other cellars," re-

plied Harlow, with a weary sigh. "My good man, how very suspicious you are! Would you like to see the garage?"

Jim followed him up the steps, through the hall.

He was being played with—Jim Carlton knew that, and yet for some reason was not rattled.

"Harlow, where is Miss Rivers? You suggested you knew."

Harlow inclined his head gracefully.

"If you will allow me to drive you a very little journey, I can promise that I will put an end to all your present doubts."

They faced one another—Harlow towards the bright light that streamed from the garage.

"I'll call your bluff," said Jim at last.

A slow smile dawned on Harlow's face.

"So many people have done that," he said, "and yet here I am, with a royal flush permanently in hand! And all who have called—where are their chips?"

He opened the coupe door and after a second's hesitation Jim entered. Mr. Elk following. The big man shut the door.

"I have a high opinion of the police," he said, "and I realize that I am making you look rather foolish! I am sorry! This story of Harlow's penultimate joke shall go no farther than me."

He turned to the front of the car and stooped as if to start the engine. And then very leisurely he walked to the wall, put up his hand, and the garage was in darkness.

Jim saw the manoeuvre and leapt to the door, but it was locked; and even as he struggled to lower the window, there was a whine of machinery and the car began to sink slowly through the floor. Down, down it went upon its platform, and then, when the roof was a little below the level of the floor, the platform tilted forward, and the car slid thudded against rubber buffers and stopped.

Jim had got the window down and was half through when the hydraulic pillars beneath the platform shot up and closed the aperture with a gentle thud. In another second Elk was free. Wrenching open the driver's door, Jim switched on the powerful head lamps and illuminated the little chamber to which the car had sunk.

There were two more machines there; one in particular attracted his attention—an old hire car gray with mud, which was still wet. Evidently the place was a very ordinary type of underground garage, though he had never seen such expensive equipment as a hydraulic lift in a private establishment. The walls were of dressed stone; at one end was a low iron door, not locked, so far as he could see, but fastened with two steel bolts. It was probably a petrol store, he thought, and the position under the courtyard before the garage confirmed his guess.

He looked at Elk.

"How foolish do you feel?" he asked bitterly.

Elk shook his head.

"Nothin' makes me feel foolish," he said cheerfully, "but I certainly didn't expect to see the end so soon."

"End?"

Elk nodded.

"Not mine—not yours: Harlow's. He's through—the yarn's penultimate mean anyway?"

And when it was explained, Elk's face brightened.

"He's got one big line to finish on! I'll bet it is the biggest job that's ever made the police stop laffin. And I'll tell you—"

He stopped; both heads went round toward the little iron door. Somebody was knocking feebly and Jim's heart almost stopped beating.

"Somebody behind that door," said Elk. "I never thought old man Harlow ran a dungeon."

Jim ran to the place, slipped back the bolts, and flung the iron door open—there staggered into the light the wild and dishevelled figure of an elderly man. For a moment Jim did not recognize him. He was coatless, his crumpled collar was unfastened, but it was the look in his face that transfixed the astonished men.

"Ellenbury!" breathed Jim.

The lawyer it was, but the change in him since Jim had seen him last was startling. The wide-open eyes stared from one to the other and then he raised his trembling hand to his mouth.

"Where is she?" he whispered fiercely. "What did he do with her?" Jim's heart turned to lead.

"Who—Miss Rivers?"

Ellenbury peered at him as though he remembered his voice but could not identify him.

"Stebbing's girl?" he croaked. "He took the ex-Harlow!" The old man swung an imaginary ax. "Ugh! . . . killed her!"

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Jim Carlton's hand was thrust to the wall for support. He face was colorless—he could not speak and it was Elk who took up the questioning of this apparition.

"Killed her?"

Ellenbury nodded.

"Where?"

"On the edge of the kitchen garden . . . there's a pit. You could put somebody there and nobody would guess. He knew all about the pit. I didn't know he was the chauffeur—he had a little black moustache and he'd been driving me all day. Elk laid his hand gently on the little man's shoulder and he shrank back with a sound of weeping.

"Listen, Mr. Ellenbury, you must tell us all you know and try to be calm. Nobody will hurt you. Did he kill Miss Rivers?"

The man nodded violently.

"With an ax—my ax . . . I saw her lying there on the furnace-room floor. She was very beautiful and white and I saw that he had killed her and went back to the house, for I did not wish—I did not wish—he shuddered, his face in his hands—"to see her in that pit, with the water . . . green water . . . ugh . . . ugh!"

He was fighting back the vision, his long fingers working like a piano player's.

"Yes . . . you saw her again?" asked Jim huskily.

He had.

"Where?"

"In the back of the car—where the suitcases were—all huddled up on the floor with a blanket thrown over her. I sat beside the devil and he talked! So softly! God! You'd have thought he had never murdered anybody! He said he was going to take me for a holiday—where I'd get well. But I know he was lying. I knew the devil was lying and that he was forging new links in my chain. He put me in there!"

He almost screamed the words as his wavering finger pointed to the open door of his prison.

"Ellenbury, for God's sake try to think—is Alton Rivers alive?"

He nearly swooned when the old man shook his head.

"Dead!" He nodded with every repetition of the word. "Dead, dead, dead! My ax . . . it was outside the kitchen door . . . I saw her lying there and there was blood . . ."

"Say, listen, Carlton," it was Elk's harsh voice. "I'm not believing this. This bird's mad!"

"Mad! Am I mad?" Ellenbury struck his thin chest. "She's upstairs—I saw him carry her up—and the woman with the yellow face, and the man with a beard . . . they made me come with them . . . I left me here in the dark for a long time and then made me come with them . . . look!"

He dragged Elk into the little prison house. There was a bed and a wardrobe; carpet covered the floor. It was a self-contained little suite in the depth of the cellar.

Fumbling on the wall he found a light switch and the room was flooded with a rose-colored glow that came from concealed lights in the angle of a stone cornice.

"Look—look!"

The lawyer dragged open the door of the wardrobe. At the bottom was a heap of clothes—men's clothes. A crumpled dress shirt, a velvet dress-jacket—

"Sir Joseph's clothes!" gasped Elk.

(To Be Continued)

**Paper From Desert Plant**

Alpha Grown in Algeria Now Being Used By France

France, suffering from a white paper famine, due to the blockade which cuts off customary wood pulp imports from Scandinavia, has turned to alpha, one of its colonial riches, for making paper pulp.

Alpha grows about 8,000,000 acres of alpha, while Tunisia raises 2,000,000 acres. France previously imported most of its paper and wood pulp from Norway and Sweden, but since the start of the war the shortage was so acute that French newspapers were printed on a single sheet, six days a week.

France has been obliged to reduce paper consumption by four-fifths and most of the periodicals have been contracted to the same size as newspapers. Magazines also have been hit by this paper penury and are obliged to condense most of their articles. Even the Journal Officiel, the government's official organ, appears on two pages, compared to the normal 20 or 40.

White France was importing paper and wood pulp from Sweden and Norway, England was buying up the stocks of alpha, of which Algeria exported approximately 200,000 tons a year. It left French North Africa in the form of dried and compressed balls and returned to France in paper form at a high price.

White France grows on the vast and monotonous steppes of the High Algerian Sahara where the climate allows nothing else to grow. Despite the cold in winter and the heat in summer, this plant grows well in this atmosphere. Alpha is a sort of reed, growing about three feet high, which the natives used to make brushes, nets, sandals and a sort of woven carpet. The paper famine drew attention to alpha and it underwent pulp tests very satisfactorily.

Alpha paper is high quality, resistant and suitable for printing. It is specially adapted for helio impression and paper which is used for this kind of work must incorporate at least half alpha pulp.

With this sort of paper pulp France once more will again be able to furnish the paper industry with its necessary raw material.

**Strange Diet**

German Resort To Crude Meats In Time of War

News that dog meat has been legalized for human consumption in greater Germany recalls stories of famine in the Reich of the first Great War.

Dog meat then was scarce. Horse meat served to-day in some Nazi restaurants, sold then for 80 cents a pound.

In April, 1917, a Dresden restaurant scored a coup by purchasing an elephant from a travelling circus to provide choice steaks and cutlets.

The last American woman to return from Germany after the United States entered the first Great War, asserted that in Leipzig she found the piece of resistance on local menus was elephant meat, the heel being considered the greatest delicacy.

Sausage, standard of the German table, was made from horse, donkey, mule, fish, goat and rabbit meat and from kohlrabi, a cabbage-like plant which was colored pink and spiced.

In May, 1917, an agricultural expert at Passau, Bavaria, advised Germans to "follow the examples of Nebuchadnezzar and eat grass."

Other scientists proudly announced that certain layers of "edible earth" he had located in the lower valley of the Valtina.

The Swiss military attaché in Berlin in 1917 said a chemical analysis of bread showed: Corn, 12 per cent; barley, 22 per cent; and wood sawdust, 66 per cent. Pepper was found to contain 82 per cent. ashes and two per cent. sand.

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The following letter appeared in the Chicago Daily News:

After listening to radio from early morning till well past midnight I came to the conclusion that all the radio friends are morons who can turn that radio on early in the morning, full blast, and it can go on and on. They are not particular as to the programs as long as they hear some noise.

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## VIKING ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Loader motored down from Edmonton over the weekend and visited at the home of Mrs. Loader's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Kjelland.

Ted Carrier arrived from Edmonton last Friday to assist in the bank while the manager, Mr. Fullerton, and other members of the staff were having a session with the flu.

Only 11 more shopping days to Christmas. See this issue for hundreds of good gift suggestions in the advertisements of the local merchants and business men.

How times have changed. Sivert Hafso states that he recently hauled in a grain box containing 92 bushels of wheat for which he received \$40. In 1916 for the same load he received the sum of \$150.00.

A group of young musicians who have chosen the name "The Jives" are furnishing music for a dance on Thursday, December 26th, after the picture show. They are doing some diligent rehearsing and those who have heard them say they are doing right well. There will be door prizes and a good time is assured.

Mr. and Mrs. Sivert Hafso received a telephone call from Winnipeg on Sunday, December 8th, stating that a daughter had been born to Mr. and Mrs. Dave McKill (nee Signe Hafso). Mr. McKill was transferred from Edmonton to Winnipeg a short while ago where he holds a responsible position with the National Cash Register Co.

Const. T. B. Tait of the R.C.M.P. received word today of his transfer to the Edmonton detachment, and will be replaced here by Const. R. E. Clark, of Edmonton. Const. Tait came to Viking from the Vegreville detachment last July when Corp Miller took over the Wainwright detachment. Const. Tait applied for overseas service some time ago and his transfer to Edmonton may be for only a short while.

Dr. B. W. Richardson who left here some three years ago to make his home in Sedro Woolley, Washington, was recently elected president of the Lions Club of that city. This organization made a recent fraternal visit to Vancouver, B.C. where they received a fine reception, and it would be quite a thrill to Dr. Richardson to lead his American friends to Canada under such congenial circumstances.

It has been noted by local merchants that Jap oranges have come to Canada. These are also grown in the U.S. and when purchasing same, citizens are asked to look at the container and see that they come from our friendly neighbor to the south. Merchants in Alberta and B.C. have decided not to sell Jap oranges on account of the Japanese government having joined the Axis powers, Germany and Italy.

The local troop of the Boy Scouts are gathering toys to be sent to the Edmonton Scout Repair Shop to be fixed and distributed to poor children for Christmas. Any toys which you can spare may be left at Chiswell's service station. Do your bit toward this worthy effort to make every youngster happy this Christmas. You are asked to have your toys in at Chiswell's before December 14th.

Miss Agnes Swanson and Mrs. J. Reishus were hostesses at a shower given in honor of Miss Ruby Reishus, Wednesday evening, November 26th. Neighbors and a number of friends from town were present. After a very enjoyable hour playing bingo and contests, two little girls came in with a load of very lovely gifts for the bride. A lovely lunch was served. Miss Reishus and Mr. Homer Lundén were married on November 28th in Edmonton and are taking up residence on the groom's farm near Heinburg. A host of friends in the community join in extending congratulations and good wishes.

The Viking ladies curling club held their annual meeting last Friday and appointed skips and personnel of 8 rinks, the largest number in the history of the organization. Following is the list of curlers, the names appear in the order of Skip, third, second, lead:

Mrs. S. Ross, Mrs. Loney, Agnes Klontz, Mrs. Matheson;  
Miss Metcalfe, Mabel Barker, Mr. Lunmark, Mrs. Pascha;  
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## The World of Wheat

H. G. L. Strange

The most welcome news comes that the dominion government has decided to eliminate altogether existing tariff duties against many items of goods and commodities coming into Canada from Great Britain, and to lower considerably the duties on a number of other items.

The effect of all this will be to increase the volume of British goods flowing into Canada, to give more Canadian dollars to Great Britain with which she can buy more Canadian munitions to prosecute the war, to spare Canadian labor to work on munitions, and to put numbers of unemployed British workmen at work making goods for Canada. Then of course these imported goods will be cheaper to Canadian farmers.

And so a never-ending stream of good will come out of it all. Let us hope that the beneficial results will be so self-evident that the people will press the Canadian government to remove completely the remaining duties and restrictions against all British goods, and that eventually there will even be permitted, without hindrance, the free exchange of goods, commodities and products between all countries.

If this is done then surpluses of wheat and other products will disappear, the standard of living of all peoples will rise, and certainly world peace will be better assured.

## COMMENTS ON THE NOVEMBER WHEAT SITUATION

Wheat prices are more or less frozen by two immense but opposite forces. One is the large visible unad surplus of wheat in the United States and Canada and with a certain amount in other countries, and the other force is the great need for that wheat, but which cannot become a reality because of the land and sea blockade of China by Japan, and because of the sea blockade of the countries under Hitler's domination by the British navy.

Every decent person's heart impels him to press for the surplus wheat to go to the relief of the European people who will suffer if they do not receive more food. On the other hand every sensible person's cool head tells him that if the sufferings of European people should be relieved by this means, it would result inevitably and immediately in additional bombing of Great Britain—for the extra wheat would enable more workers to make more planes and more bombs. The additional bombing would cause not only suffering but immediate death to British men, women and children; and so the struggle between the heart and the head must continue until the great military drama unrolls itself to a conclusion.

## PLEASURE TRIPS TO THE U.S.A.

Canada is urgently in need of aeroplanes, aeroplane engines and parts and other vital war requirements. Most of such materials must be purchased in the United States and must be paid for in cash, in United States dollars. To secure these, less important calls upon Canada's available supply of foreign exchange, such as pleasure travel, must be subordinated. That is why the government has asked Canadians to forego pleasure visits to the United States. It is not that Canada is spending less money in the United States than heretofore. As a matter of fact, our expenditures are running into record levels. The question is one of deciding on the relative importance of the purpose to which our foreign exchange resources may be used. Obviously aeroplanes and other munitions of war are more important in the national interest today than pleasure travel of our citizens in the U.S.A.

A resident of Canada must have a permit to take Canadian or American dollars to the United States. The Foreign Exchange Control Board supplies United States dollars and gives permits to take them out of Canada for legitimate business trips, travel for health reasons and in certain other special cases. Special arrangements have also been made for Canadians living in border communities to continue their normal social intercourse with friends in neighboring American communities. Otherwise, however, Canadians desirous of visiting the United States for pleasure will not be permitted to take out of Canada either Canadian or American dollars. Canadians who do not observe the regulations and attempt to take money out of the country without a permit are making themselves liable to prosecution.



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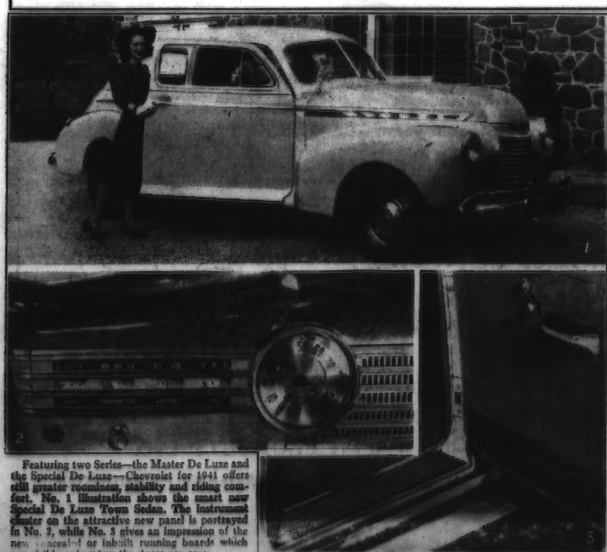
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Featuring two Series—the Master De Luxe and the Special De Luxe—Chevrolet for 1941 offers still greater roominess, stability and riding comfort. No. 1 illustration shows the smart new Special De Luxe Town Sedan. The instrument cluster on the attractive new panel is portrayed in No. 2, while No. 3 gives an impression of the new steering wheel and instrument cluster which are visible only when the doors are open.

### LESSON OF THE FLAG

Hon. Angus J. Macdonald, minister of national defence for national services:

"The whole of Britain is under attack now, but in our own time she and her dominions will take the offensive. They are on the offensive even now, for our gallant airmen are carrying the war to the heart of enemy countries, and to the territories which Germany has conquered, and our incomparable fleet still commands the seas. Her soldiers at Dunkerque have proven their quality. We shall see Britain triumphant, and long after the name of Hitler has become nothing but an unpleasant memory, the same flag which now waves over disordered heaps of crumbled brick and stone and mortar, will be flying freely and proudly in the airs of Heaven, sheltering liberty and justice and freedom and truth in its benevolent shade. That is the lesson of the flag flying over the ruins of British homes."—House of Commons, November 19, 1940.

"In their individual lives, people are soft. They are full of blind spots, dishonesty, rubbish. They can't think beyond slogans."—Ray Lyman Wilbur.

"Canada will take its place after the war as a senior partner on the North American continent but primarily a nation of the British Empire."—Hon. R. B. Hanson.

"Canada is instinctively more unified in purpose today than ever before in her history."—Professor Kirkconnell.

"The foes of Canada have left no stones unturned to foment disunity among us."—Prof. Watson Kirkconnell.

"Clear vision and a whole-hearted determination to preserve the decency of life must triumph inevitably, although this struggle may be long."—Dr. Cyril James.

## LOCALS

Another crew is in town building a second annex to the Pool elevator.

We noticed in last Saturday's Edmonton Bulletin that Mike Kusyk, brother of Mrs. S. Hlynka, was among those sent east last week to one of the trainingscamps.

Pte. Harvey Gulliner, Edmonton Regt., is home on leave until after Christmas.

Keep in mind the New Year's Eve "Snowball Carnival" in the Elks hall, Viking. Something new and novel.

Bad cold, flu, gripe, or what-do-you-call-it is visiting practically every home in Irma just now. The attendance at the public school the first of this week was reduced to about half. The teachers have a problem getting up a Christmas concert with so many sick. The board did not have its regular meeting this week owing to sickness. The date for the concert will be announced soon.

The first hockey game on Irma ice this winter was played on Wednesday evening, December 4th, between Orindale team and the Irma Juniors. The visitors seemed to have the best of the play during the first two periods, scoring two goals. The Juniors stepped on the gas in the last period and tallied five goals, three by A. Soneff, one by brother Jim and one by B. Simonson. We understand that D. Savard and P. Meyer were the scorers for Orindale.

Lois Longmire was this week the recipient of a cheque from the scientific department of the provincial W.C.T.U. for second best essay from grade 10.

The Mickelson family are occupying their newly acquired home in the north part of the village.

At the recent meeting of the local W.C.T.U. it was decided to again offer prizes in the scientific temperance contest. This includes posters from grades 3 to 12 inclusive; individual health books from grades 4 and 5; individual reference books from grades 7 and 8; class books from the top grades 6, 7 and 8 (that is, book compiled by whole class as a unit); and essays from grades 7 to 12 inclusive. Details of requirements will be published later. All schools within a radius of working basis are cordially invited to enter this contest.

Pte. Donald Matheson of the South Alberta regiment is home for the Christmas holidays.

Do not forget the junior hockey club's second annual New Year's dance in Keifer's hall on January 1st 1941.

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IRMA

a man can learn in 30 days' training—but of course you can't expect to turn out finished soldiers in that time."—Brig.-Gen. Horace H. Fuller.

"Canada is fortunate. She is not one level in a chain—the glorious British Commonwealth of Nations."—Jean Charles Harvey.

## Educational Objectivity

While this is correctly diagnosed as an age of specialization in industry, there is a danger because of this, of too strong a trend in the direction of specialization in education in the common schools of the land, that is to say, in the public and high schools.

As a speaker in Regina, Saskatchewan, recently pointed out in a public address, "education is a process and not a product." In other words, it is a means to an end and is not an end in itself, and a means to a rightly conceived end. Education, in the common schools, properly applied, should be designed to train for citizenship rather than to train for jobs.

If this objective is lost sight of, and there is some danger that it may be if present trends are permitted to persist and expand, instead of the schools turning out young people able to take their proper places in democratic society and intelligently perform the functions of a democratic citizen, we may find our society comprised of a large body of people whose sole interests in life are technical and whose ability to understand and appreciate the finer things of life are close to zero.

If the democratic order, for the maintenance of which we are even now spilling blood and pouring out treasure to an unprecedented degree, is to be preserved, it is essential that mass opinion be sufficiently intelligent to direct its own public affairs. If democratic rule is to survive, it is essential that it be directed by an enlightened public opinion. Public opinion cannot be enlightened unless the people who form it are able to think for themselves and to solve their own problems. The people cannot think for themselves unless they have valuable contributions to the problems of government and of society, unless they have been trained to do so, and this predicated a foundation of broad, cultural education.

### On Sound Foundation

For this reason, if for no other, education in the public and high schools should be confined to the cultivation of the mind, to a training in the attributes and functions of good citizenship. On this foundation specialized instruction for a life vocation can be safely superimposed, to the advantage of the individual and of society at large.

Until this basic cultural and mental attainment has been acquired, intensive technical training should be held in abeyance, except perhaps for a small minority, as, for instance, those whose mental equipment is so limited that they are unable to make any progress in the cultural field and those who, by reason of peculiar circumstances, will be unable to complete a high school course.

The demand which has grown up in recent years for specialized technical training for young people of below grade 12 standing is largely the result of the abandonment of the apprenticeship system, under which industry itself undertook to prepare youth for a vocation in life. Since then the burden of training for industrial life has been thrown upon the public educational system, where it does not and should not belong. More recently and particularly in the United States, factory schools have come into vogue, an indication that industry is again assuming the responsibility which it shed when apprenticeship went into the discard.

The present day trend towards specialized technical training of mentally immature young people is not only detrimental to the individual, but is inimical to the interests of society generally. It deprives the former of the opportunity of enjoying the fuller life and the latter of a large body of well informed and cultured citizenry.

### The Goal Ahead

With the exception of those few to whom reference has been made, youth should be required to complete a high school course, after which the student is well equipped to undertake specialized training for a life vocation in state-aided technical schools, private technical schools or, better still, in factory schools directly connected with industry.

Only by following this course can the educational system of the country, as exemplified in the common schools, be expected to make their proper contribution towards the preservation of democratic ideas and provide the means necessary to enable the citizenry to move towards that desirable goal—the strengthening of our democratic institutions and an ever improving democratic regime.

It is to conserve this ideal for the world at large and to ensure the perpetuation of civilization in its highest form that Great Britain is enduring devastation and suffering and this country is pledged to a program of sacrificial contributions. When the fight is over and the battle won, the foundations for an abiding and every broadening and enlightened democracy must have been well and truly laid, if the suffering and sacrifices are not to have been in vain.

### Have Become Thrifty

**Munition Workers In Britain Not Spending Their Money Foolishly**  
British munition workers of today are a strangely sober lot.

They are more intent on getting out of debt and on saving money than they were during the delirious war boom of 1914-18 when they annoyed the "upper class" by buying pianos and fur coats.

At least this is the conclusion reached by Charles Madge of the Institute of Economic and Social Research after a study of family expenditures in the typical munition town of Coventry, as published in the Economic Journal.

He found that skilled workers in Coventry are getting between \$28 and \$40 a week (thanks partly to considerable overtime while semi-skilled workers doing piecework and willing to work seven nights a week, are earning up to \$52 and \$56 a week. In all, 46 per cent are earning more than they did in September, 32 per cent are earning about the same and 20 per cent are earning less.

But the striking part is that 57 per cent of the families are saving money every week—in addition to their routine payments for sickness and burial insurance and for holiday benefits—and of the remaining 43 per cent, the vast majority are paying off arrears of rent and doctors' bills and grocery bills.

### Airplane Bombight

**United States Releases To Britain Highly Effective Type**

The United States has released to Britain an outmoded type of airplane bombight which is considered highly effective, but not as accurate as the secret sight now used by U.S. army and navy planes, it was learned at Washington.

The bombight was handed to the British for experimental purposes and the Royal Air Force, it is said, is satisfied with its performance, may apply for its release for production.

### For Propaganda Purposes

**Nazis Photograph Their Crashed Planes Describing Them As British**

The London Times says: The Germans are finding it so difficult to obtain R.A.F. bombers to photograph for propaganda purposes that they are taking pictures of their own crashed aircraft and describing them as British.

A case occurred on September 14, when the Volkischer Beobachter published in its North German edition an impressive photograph of a wrecked airplane, alleged to be a British machine which had been shot down. It was accompanied by the triumphant caption: "The end of a British air pirate. He tried to cross the French coast, but our air defenses were on the look-out and brought him down."

The aircraft is, in fact, quite clearly a Junkers 88. The curious un-English draughtsmanship of the death's head painted on the fuselage in true Nazi fashion would in itself arouse the suspicion of the observant, and a closer examination of the wreckage reveals it beyond any doubt as a Junkers 88, hundreds of which have been shot down over this country.

A comparison of photographs shows that they were identical machines.

### Gifts Keep Coming

**Punjab Police Force Takes Salary Cut To Buy 'Planes'**

The flood of gifts from all parts of the Empire in aid of Britain's fighting forces continues, the British Broadcasting Corporation reports.

Among the gifts recently acknowledged were £10,000 from the British community in Istanbul and £15,000 from the Madras Governor's War Fund, making a total of £252,454. The B.B.C. also reported that officers of the Punjab Police Force have agreed to a salary cut of 20 per cent, to provide a fighter aircraft for the defence of India.

## Use Of Magnesium

**Is Increasing For Airplane Construction And Incendiary Bombs**

Use of magnesium in incendiary bombs is a comparatively recent development and is contributing to increasing demand for this metal which is also proving of high value in the manufacture of light alloys for airplane construction. The incendiary bombs are usually thickwalled tubes nine inches long and two inches in diameter and weigh one kilogram, or 2.2 pounds. The tube is made of an alloy containing about 93 per cent of magnesium and seven per cent of aluminum while the hollow interior is filled with a priming composition of thermite type.

Upon impact the priming material ignites spontaneously and burns at a temperature of 2,500 degrees centigrade for 40 to 50 seconds. This melts and ignites the tube and the magnesium then burns for 10 to 20 minutes at a temperature of about 1,300 degrees centigrade.

While Germany has been the chief producer of magnesium, British and American production is being increased. Canada has not as yet produced magnesium commercially although Consolidated Smelters and others have done experimental work for some years. A Canadian company, Transcontinental Resources, Limited, is interested in brine deposits in Utah from which it is planned to produce magnesium in the near future.

## Travel To Canada

**New York Daily Mirror Gives This Advice To Americans**

"Travel to Canada" is the editorial advice to Americans in large display type contained in the New York Daily Mirror.

"It is generally agreed that most Americans want to knit the ties of this hemisphere in a solid block that can resist any attempted invasion," says the Mirror. "It is further agreed that most Americans want to aid England in any way short of war."

"Best way to contribute to both these ends is to spend your 'travel dollars' in Canada."

"Alarmists should not be permitted to fan rumours about border inspection into foolish fears that will keep Americans from planning a trip to Canada."

"The simple fact is that no more identification than a voter's registration certificate or membership in any automobile club is needed for entry into Canada, or return to America."

## Nazi Troops Ignored

**French People Are Adopting Hostile Attitude Toward Invaders**

The best bit of news of Parisians has been the reopening of the fashionable Bois de Boulogne to the French. Until recently the Germans had closed it, but now the Parisians are flocking back to their favorite park. The greatest check to normalcy is, of course, the presence of German troops, toward whom the French people are said to have adopted a more hostile attitude. Gone are the usual comments that the troops are "correct and polite." The French now have picked up the Duit method of completely ignoring the presence of the invader.—Variety, New York.

## SELECTED RECIPES

### STUFFED MEAT LOAF

1 pound ground beef  
1 pound ground veal  
2 tablespoons minced onion  
1½ teaspoons salt  
½ teaspoon celery salt  
¼ teaspoon pepper  
¼ teaspoon allspice  
2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce  
¼ cup catsup  
¼ cup water

### Stuffing

4 cups soft bread crumbs  
½ cup Kellogg's All-Brain  
2 tablespoons minced onion  
¼ cup fat  
1 teaspoon salt  
¼ teaspoon pepper  
¼ teaspoon poultry seasoning  
1 cup milk, water or stock

Combine meat with onion and seasonings, excepting catsup. Flatten on piece of waxed paper into rectangular shape about ½-inch thick. Combine ingredients for stuffing, place on top of meat, and form into roll. Bring meat up and around roll of dressing so that it is completely covered. Place in baking pan. Mix catsup with water and pour over meat roll. Bake in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) about one hour. Yield: Eight servings.

### SOCIAL TEA TARTS

Social Tea Biscuits  
Raspberry Jam  
Whipped cream or cream cheese  
Spread Social Tea Biscuits with raspberry jam. Then garnish each one with a generous amount of whipped cream or cream cheese, which has been slightly softened with milk, and forced through a pastry tube.



## Air Raid Shelter

**Largest In The World Said To Be In New York**

Biggest and most completely equipped potential air raid shelter in the world is right in the middle of Manhattan, New York.

It is the vast system of underground chambers and corridors extending below six city blocks that comprises the operations centre of the world's largest skyscraper development, Rockefeller Centre, which houses The Associated Press, The Canadian Press, the National Broadcasting Company, the Radio City Musical Hall and thousands of smaller tenants.

Here, farther below ground than any bomb known could penetrate, and protected by the bulk of the buildings above, is a mass of engine rooms, workrooms, warehouses, loading platforms and ramps capable of sheltering 55,000 persons.

The labyrinth starts below the centre's underground shopping concourse and goes down four levels 70 feet below ground—below sea level in some places.

The space is ventilated, lighted and heated by self-contained machine units which supply the buildings above. It contains a complete restaurant for building employees in addition to several kitchens of restaurants above.

## Got Their Wish

**Conscientious Objectors In Channel Islands Now Under Nazi Rule**

German troops occupying the Channel Islands have captured a hundred British conscientious objectors. They are part of a batch of 200 sent in the first week of June to help with the potato harvest. Many of the 200 told the conciliatory tribunals that they would be quite unconcerned if the Nazis invaded Britain; others said that they would just as soon live under Hitler as under a democracy.

When German invasions first threatened the Channel Islands, most of the conscientious objectors tried to get back to Britain. Some stowed away in cargo boats. Others were allowed to evacuate after the women and children and the fighting men had got away. A number were too late. Few preferred to stay and live under Nazi rule.—Brandon Sun.

## Smallest Watch

**Swiss-American Watchmaker Builds World's Tiniest Timepiece**

Max Argent, Swiss-American watchmaker, made what is believed to be the smallest accurate watch in the world. It is smaller than the average man's fingernail.

Argent's hobby is—watchmaking. It took him two hours daily for one year to make the tiny watch, which is 3-32nds of an inch thick and 17-32nds of an inch in diameter. The screws of the watch have the diameter of a pinpoint and the pinions are only as thick as a human hair.

## Story Being Revealed

**Wife Of Former French Premier Was Great Political Figure**

The Toronto Telegram says: Gradually the story of the Countess Helen de Portes, close friend and political adviser to French Premier Paul Reynaud, is being revealed. Censorship gummed up the story at the time of her death in a motor accident last June, but Andre Maurois gave some inkling of the truth a while ago in Colliers. Lillian Moller who lectured in Town Hall Series, can tell the rest of it. When the tale is fitted together from all sources, the young countess is revealed as one of the big-scale grafters in history.

Politicians crossed her palm with silver to get appointments and in Paris it was the slogan: "Allez voir Madame de Portes, elle ouvre." She was beautifully dressed, free, by the best couturiers. She was the daughter of a French industrialist, Charles Sans Rebuffet, and had no more education than a French bourgeois girl. Her marriage to the Count helped her form a political salon. Her best friend was Mme. Georges Bonnet, and through her she met Laval, Flandin and Reynaud. The Countess conducted her salon on a business basis and received sums for political favors.

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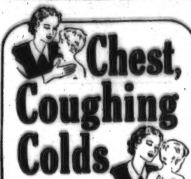
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## NEWLY CREATED POSITION



**LT.-COL. K. A. McLENNAN**  
New Vice-President, Robin Hood Flour Mills, Ltd.

Toronto.—Lt.-Col. K. A. McLennan, who for 25 years has been manager of the Pacific Coast Domestic and Export Sales Department of Robin Hood Flour Mills Limited, Vancouver, was elected a Vice-President of the company and appointed to the newly created position of Western General Manager, effective immediately. Col. McLennan will make his headquarters at Moose Jaw, Sask., in the near future.



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## Desperate Gambler

**Hitler's Ramshackle Empire Is Resting On Weak Supports**

The best picture one can draw of Hitler from available evidence is not that of the Nazi propagandist; it is the picture of the desperate gambler of the Wilhelmstrasse, pyramiding his winnings under ever greater pressure until they have built up into an overgrown, uneasy, disorganized and precarious empire, resting on the fearfully weak reeds of Italy and Japan, driven to dicker with the Soviets, and baffled in every attempt to break the supreme centre of resistance in the hearts of the British people.

And this ramshackle empire faces a steadily growing British air power, delivering ever heavier and heavier blows, and backed not only by the full resources of the British Commonwealth but in ever greater measure by the full industrial power of the United States.

If one looks at deeds (of which Hitler is so fond) and not at the words, communiques and propaganda, this seems to be the picture.

What power Hitler may yet have suddenly to reverse it, we do not know. He is fertile in surprises, and he has certainly not yet exhausted the immense reserves of German strength. No one would imagine for a moment that the war has been won.

But these are some of the reasons for believing that the prospect is actually brighter to-day than in many months, and for believing, too, that the shortest road to peace and a genuine reconstruction of the world is straight down the road to which not only the British people, but the American people as well, have set themselves.—New York Herald Tribune.

The least explored area along the entire route of the proposed Pan-American highway is in the Darien Indian region of Panama.

Having had no apprentices to saddle-making for years, England may revive the trade.

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## A Brief History Of Parliamentary Rule In Canada Since Inception

A Canadian Press writer, referring to the opening of the second session of the 19th parliament of Canada, makes the following interesting comments:

The gathering is a direct lineal descendant through 1,000 years of the Witenagemot, Anglo-Saxon National Council so named from "Wita" (wise man), and "Gemot" (meeting).

Canada's "Witenagemot" is 73 years old. Its history through the years has been one of almost-constant extension of powers. First it was the governing body of a small but growing unit in the British Empire; then that of a dominion, its status equal to that of the United Kingdom parliament.

But always it has maintained its place as a bastion of democracy.

The first session of the first parliament, with Sir John A. Macdonald as prime minister, began Nov. 6, 1867, and lasted 43 days. It ended its deliberations, the history says, "largely because of the number of members who belonged to provincial houses," and presumably had to get home to attend to provincial business in Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

These were the four provinces then embraced in Confederation under the British North America Act which came into force July 1, 1867.

Provision was made in the act for admission of British Columbia, Prince Edward Island, the Northwest Territories and Newfoundland into the dominion. Newfoundland alone has not availed itself of the provision.

At the second session of the first Parliament in 1869, there was both good news and bad. The government reported a surplus of \$20,836, but Louis Riel, the Red River rebel, seized the Hudson's Bay Company store at Fort Garay, now Winnipeg.

Next year the Northwest Territories were transferred to the Dominion after purchase by Canada of the Hudson's Bay Company holdings in the Northwest, the province of Manitoba was established under Confederation, and the first Riel rebellion was crushed.

In 1871 the province of British Columbia joined Confederation, and two years later Prince Edward Island, Alberta and Saskatchewan were created in 1905.

In the meantime, an imperial order-in-council, in 1880, annexed to Canada all British possessions in North America except Newfoundland and its dependencies.

Addition of new provinces created a demand for speedy transportation. In 1880 the government provided \$25,000,000 and 25,000,000 acres of land to the Canadian Pacific Railway, to build a transcontinental line. The first train from Montreal to the Pacific coast went in 1886.

Only a year before, Louis Riel's second short-lived rebellion broke out in the Northwest. Riel surrendered May 10, 1885, and the third session of Canada's fifth Parliament held a bitter debate on his execution, which occurred in November.

The parliamentary session recently opened finds thousands of Canadian soldiers overseas helping Britain in the war against the dictators. The fifth Parliament also met while the nation was participating in Britain's battles.

Four hundred voyageurs had left Quebec to take part in the Nile Expedition of 1884-85 for the relief of Gen. G. Gordon at Khartoum.

To-day a joint permanent defence board has been set up by Canada and the United States to consider joint problems of defence. In 1898 Canada also was looking to her defence, and an imperial military commission was studying the situation.

At the fourth session of the eighth parliament a year later, Sir Wilfrid Laurier moved a resolution concerning difficulties in South Africa. It read in part:

"This house, representing a people which has largely succeeded by the adoption of the principle of conceding equal political rights in producing general content with the existing system of government, desires to express its sympathy with the efforts of Her Majesty's imperial authorities to obtain for her subjects in the Transvaal such measures of justice and political recognition as may be found necessary to secure them full possession of equal rights and liberties."

In 1900, Canada decided to send overseas her second expeditionary force. Parliament voted \$2,000,000 toward expenses of a South African campaign, amid stiff criticism that the British Government, not Canada, was

paying the wages of the soldiers. The minister of militia reported 158 officers, 3,760 men and 1,763 horses had been sent to South Africa.

A decade later Canada decided to establish her own navy, rather than contribute to the Royal Navy in return for sea protection.

The First Great War broke out in 1914, and a special war session of the 12th parliament was called. Sir Robert Borden, then prime minister, made this statement:

"As to our duty all are agreed, we stand shoulder to shoulder with Great Britain and the other British Dominions in this quarrel and that duty we shall not fail to fulfil as the honor of Canada demands. Not for love of battle, nor for love of conquest, nor for greed of possessions, but for the cause of honor, to maintain solemn pledges, to uphold the principles of liberty, to withstand forces that would convert the world into an armed camp; yes, in the very name of peace that we sought to have at any cost save that of dishonor."

In 1921 Canada's parliament achieved new maturity under the Statutes of Westminster, being elevated to equal status in the British Commonwealth of Nations as the government at Westminster.

But its traditional stand for democracy continues. At the special war session of the 18th parliament, Prime Minister Mackenzie King said:

"I want to ask honorable members and the people of Canada: In what spirit are you going to face this crisis? Are you going to face it believing in the right of individuals, believing in the sacredness of human personality, believing in the freedom of nations, believing in all the sanctity of human life?"

"I believe you are."

**Boys' And Girls' Club**

**Prizes Are Awarded At Judging Event Held In Toronto**

Manitoba's Pilot Mound team of Ernest Mitchell and Raymond Beech, took top honors in poultry judging in the contests conducted at Toronto recently under the direction of the Canadian Council on Boys' and Girls' Club work. Mitchell won individual honors for the event.

In the seed grain judging the Manitoba team from Erikson Junior Seed Growers, Everett Rogman and Wallace Lee, took second place, after being beaten out by Ontario's Minnosa Beef club, represented by Donald McNabb and Ross Abel, took third place in the beef cattle judging, and in the swine class Boissevain Swine Club, represented by Ivan Elkin and Kenneth Reynolds, took fourth honors.

Ontario took two top positions in the judging, with Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Quebec receiving one top position apiece.

A detailed list of judging follows: Poultry—First, Manitoba; third, British Columbia, Ralph Heune, Douglas Hopkins, Langley Poultry club; fourth, Matha Pagan, Paula M. Freeman, Whitehall Poultry club, Prince Albert.

Dairy cattle—First, Quebec; second, New Brunswick; third, Ontario, fourth, Alberta; fifth, British Columbia; sixth, Nova Scotia, and seventh, Prince Edward Island.

Beef cattle—First, Saskatchewan, Gordon Taylor, Wallace Simpson, Gainsborough Baby Beef club; second, Alberta; third, Manitoba. Swine—First, Alberta, Nor. Fulcher, Isabel Ferguson, Liberty Swine club; second, Ontario; third, Quebec; fourth, Manitoba; fifth, Saskatchewan, Garnet Beach, Paul Beach, Emerald Swine club; sixth, Nova Scotia; seventh, British Columbia, and eighth, New Brunswick.

Potatoes—First, Ontario; second, British Columbia; third, Nova Scotia. Seed grain—First, Ontario; second, Manitoba; third, Alberta; fourth, Saskatchewan, Elizabeth Quayle, Evelyn Olson, Briarlea Grain club.

**King Zog Wealthy**

King Zog is one of the wealthiest of London's distinguished foreign refugees. He was able to bring valuable gold stocks out of his unhappy country before Italy walked in on Good Friday two years ago. When Queen Geraldine shops in the West End she pays for everything in cash—refuses to run up a single bill.

Heinrich Himmler, head of Hitler's Gestapo, was the guest of honor at a banquet in Barcelona. All those present probably wore automatics on both hips, and insisted on the chef eating his own food first.

## WRECKAGE IN LONDON



Apartment houses show effect of Nazi bombs, but the air raid shelter (centre) has escaped damage. This is a cablephoto, passed by the British Censor.

### Too Much Oxygen

**Will Cause Aviators Who Are Flying High To Collapse**

A newly-discovered cause of "blackouts" by aviators was declared to be too rapid inhaling of oxygen at high altitudes.

This danger, which may be as important as the loss of consciousness, was pointed out before the closing meeting in Philadelphia of the National Academy of Sciences by Dr. Carl F. Schmidt and Dr. Julius H. Comroe of the University of Pennsylvania. Too much oxygen inhaled quickly may be as dangerous as too little over a period of minutes, they declared.

The body has two types of breathing control—an area in the brain which responds to concentrations of carbon dioxide in the blood and speeds up breathing, the other group of "chemoreceptors" located in the two main arteries of the body. The latter are extremely delicate nerve endings hangovers from man's evolution from water animals, which respond quickly to high concentrations of oxygen and act to cut down the supply of it to the blood.

In some circumstances such as the administration of anesthesia or high altitude flying, "the control of breathing may revert to the primitive aquatic type and be carried out by the chemoreceptors," the University of Pennsylvania scientists declared, and sudden administration of oxygen lack may cause breathing to stop.

With sudden relief of long-standing obstructions of the wind-pipe, perhaps sudden increase in the oxygen intake by aviators at high altitudes, collapse and unconsciousness ensue, they added.

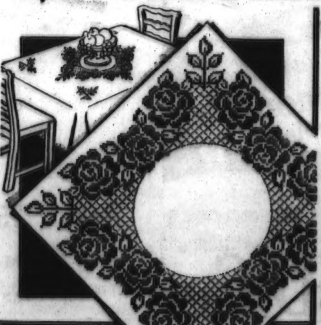
### Every Convenience

A Washington newspaper states: "In a letter to her son, Mrs. Paula Litchfield of London, England, enclosed a clipping from a newspaper in which a Dover landlady advertised: 'Nice rooms; with every convenience; facing the enemy.'"

Fertilizer from leather waste is a war by-product from leather and boot and shoe plants.

Anthropology is the study of man; zoology of the lower animals; paleontology of extinct, or fossil, animals.

## Say It With Roses in Embroidery



There is no more effective way of putting color on the table to-day than with this lovely cross stitch design, done in varied colors or shades of a color. Pattern 6814 contains a transfer pattern of nine motifs ranging from 1 1/2 to 15 inches by 3 x 4 inches; materials needed; illustrations of stitches; color schemes.

To obtain this pattern send 20 cents in coins (stamps cannot be accepted) to Household Arts Department, Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 375 McDermott Ave. E., Winnipeg.

There is no Alice Brooks pattern book published

## British Astronomer Views Planets Venus And Mars And Gives Conclusions

Life may be just starting on the planet Venus, Spencer Jones, astronomer royal of Great Britain, says in the annual report of the Smithsonian Institution.

Venus represents the world's past. Conditions there are somewhat similar to those the earth passed through nearly a billion years ago. Any life on Venus now can be, at the most, primitive plant life, the astronomer royal asserts, but in millions of years to come, when life on earth may be nearing extinction, Venus may be the home of higher and higher types of life.

Mars, on the other hand, already represents something approaching what the earth will be in its old age. It is doubtful whether there is any life on Mars now and it cannot be life of a very high order unless organisms have been able to make adjustments to conditions of atmosphere and temperature which cannot be imagined on earth.

The most recent physical evidence, Mr. Jones says, indicates that in the sun's family, physical conditions are such that only Mars and Venus possibly can support life of the same pattern as that on earth and superficially Venus, because of its conditions of temperature and moisture, would seem to be the most favorable. It is about 23,000,000 miles closer to the sun than the earth.

The British astronomer reports that within the last few years spectroscopic studies have revealed some strange things about the rather heavy atmosphere of the planet. First, no trace of water vapor is found, the surface of Venus is hidden beneath heavy clouds, and it is difficult to comprehend how clouds could form without water. The finding may be due, he says, to the fact that the atmosphere of Venus above the clouds is exceptionally dry.

The second strange showing of the spectroscopy is that there is no discernible free oxygen in the atmosphere, but very much more carbon dioxide than in the air of the earth. This enables the astronomer to construct a tentative picture of what the planet looks like under its cloud veil.

"On a cooling planet the size of Venus," he says, "we should expect

to find both water vapor and carbon dioxide evolved from the molten rocky mass as it is cooled and solidified.

"We should not expect to find oxygen, because oxygen is a chemically active element and does not like to exist alone. The surprising thing is not the absence of oxygen in the atmosphere of Venus but the abundance of it in our own atmosphere."

"The oxygen is continually being depleted from our atmosphere by combining with other substances and there must be a source of replacement. This is undoubtedly provided by the vegetation on the earth's surface, which extracts carbon dioxide from the air and uses the carbon for building up the plant cells, giving out oxygen. The supply of carbon dioxide is in turn replenished by processes such as combustion, respiration and the decay of vegetable matter. When life started on the earth there was probably plenty of carbon dioxide but comparatively little oxygen in the atmosphere."

Millions of years ago a high order of life may have existed on Mars, Dr. Jones continues. Thus far it has not been possible to detect either oxygen or carbon dioxide in the Martian atmosphere, but water vapor must be present, he says. As Mars' scanty atmosphere with little moisture has little blanketing effect, he concludes that:

"Near noon in the equatorial regions the temperature rises to about 50 degrees Fahrenheit, but in the afternoon, as the sun gets lower, it falls rapidly. After sunset the cold becomes intense and the minimum temperature at night is about 130 degrees below zero."

"With such an enormous daily range of temperature the conditions for any form of life must be very trying. Whether animal life can exist seems doubtful, though it is impossible to assert that life may not have evolved to meet those conditions."

In Mars we see a world where conditions probably resemble those that will probably prevail on earth many millions of years hence, when most of our present atmosphere will have been lost. Mars appears to be a planet of spent, or nearly spent life."

### Proved Best Salesman

**Harvey Firestone Made Deal With Indian Where Ford Failed**

Henry Ford, Thomas A. Edison, and Harvey Firestone were touring in the west when an argument arose as to whether Ford or Firestone was the better salesman. Edison argued that neither of them could sell a product in the small town in which they had stopped.

"A rich Indian lived there. Go and sell him a car, Henry," Edison urged. "Then Harvey can sell him some tires."

Ford found the Indian, talked long and hard, but couldn't make a sale. Edison insisted that Firestone try even though he had scant excuse for a market.

It seems that Firestone sold the Indian a tire—to be used as a hoop—by Indian, Junior.

### First Parachute Jump

**Martin Allen Claims To Have Made Initial Jump In 1877**

Martin Adist Allen, 80, who claimed to be the first person to make a parachute jump from a balloon in this country, died at his home at Danville, N.Y., following an illness of three weeks.

Allen was credited with starting his dare-devil act in 1877 with two brothers, Ira and Curt. In recent years, he followed closely the exploits of his grand nephew, Edward Allen of Batavia and the latter's sister, Florence, who maintained the family tradition of "flying Allens."

Allen allegedly made his last parachute jump at the age of 75, and often said he would have continued if rheumatism had not slowed his movements in later life.

Some people sure are lucky! Boy in Merrin, Ill., ran across the street to borrow an egg and put it in his pocket. On his way back he was hit by a truck and had an ankle broken; but the egg didn't get a scratch!

The only gem of great beauty and value that comes from the sea is the pearl.

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### Canada's War Role

**Holds Key Position In Present Struggle With Axis Powers**

Lord Beaverbrook, Britain's minister of aircraft production, believes Canada will take a role of increasing importance in the struggle against Germany and Italy.

In a letter to W. R. Givens, former president of the Kingston, Ont. Whig-Standard and an old friend of the minister, who is living in Florida, Lord Beaverbrook wrote recently:

"The key position which Canada holds in the present struggle will not have escaped your notice. It seems likely, too, that the strategic importance of the Dominion will become more marked as the war goes on. Everything points that way. We are witnessing another long advance in the development of the country."

Praising the leadership of Prime Minister Churchill as "equal to the hour," and assuring that "we shall not be beaten by any crack in the national morale," Lord Beaverbrook wrote: "Canada will be proud of the stock from which her people spring."

He said the Battle of Britain rages "with violence," and added: "But the people are sustained by the fighting power of the air force and by the knowledge that the British communities overseas watch the course of the struggle with sympathy and send up help of the most valuable kind."

### Maintaining The Tradition

**Fighting Quality—Should Become Dominant In Every Canadian**

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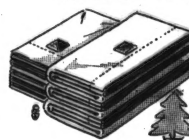
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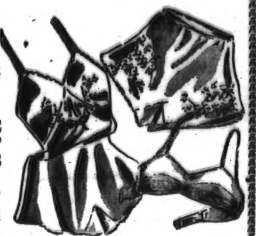
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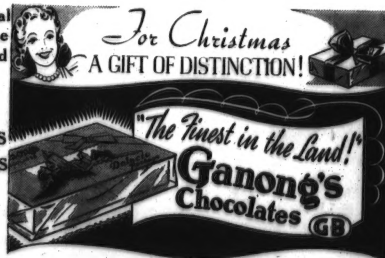
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